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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 08 May 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 5/8/06 has been entered.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

3. Claims 1, 2, 7, 12 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aisenberg (US Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0116155 A1) in view of Ahn et al. (US 7,043,238).

Regarding claims 1, 7, 12 and 17, Aisenberg discloses a general global gateway 82 configured to support communication between a GSM network and a CDMA network to enable a mobile station (MS) 50 subscribed in the GSM network to communicate using the CDMA network, comprising: a database 20 configured to store a number of times the mobile station has accessed the GGG; and a logic unit 83 configured to execute program logic to determine whether a parameter is received from the mobile station, the parameter representing a count of a predetermined event that is a mutually agreed upon event between the GGG and mobile station. See FIG. 11, paragraph [0002], lines 1-9 and paragraph [0046], lines 1-29.

Aisenberg fails to disclose that the GGG is configured to support communication between the GSM network and the CDMA network to enable the mobile station subscribed in the GSM network to communicate using the CDMA network.

However, in an analogous art, Ahn discloses a gateway 3000 that supports communication between a GSM and CDMA network so that a mobile station subscribed to the GSM network can communicate using the CDMA network. See FIG. 3, col. 1, line 56 – col. 2, line 38 and col. 5, lines 24-39. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the mobile system of Aisenberg by incorporating the above-cited features in Ahn so that the mobile station can continue communications when only the CDMA network is available.

Regarding claim 2, Aisenberg discloses that the count represents the number of times the mobile station has accessed the GGG, equal to the stored number of times the mobile station has accessed the GGG. See paragraph [0046], lines 14-23.

4. Claims 3, 6, 8, 11, 13 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aisenberg in view of Ahn et al. and Raffel et al. (US 5,675,629).

Regarding claims 3, 8 and 13, the combination of Aisenberg and Ahn fails to disclose determining whether a registration notification from the mobile station was received before a timer expires.

However, Raffel et al. discloses a mobile registration system in which a control mechanism determines whether a registration notification from the mobile station was received before a timer expires. See col. 27, lines 18-27. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary

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skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the mobile system of Aisenberg and Ahn by relating a registration notification to a timer, as taught by Raffel et al., to decide whether to continue with other processes in the mobile system.

Regarding claims 6, 11 and 16, the combination of Aisenberg and Ahn fails to disclose a location register configured to store a location of the mobile station to enable a call incoming to the mobile station from the GSM network to route the incoming call to the mobile station through the GGG.

However, Raffel et al. disclose a mobile system in which a location register performs storing of mobile location and routes incoming calls to the mobile network through a gateway. See col. 35, lines 24-37. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the mobile system of Aisenberg and Ahn by including a location register, as taught by Raffel et al., so that mobile locations can be properly tracked as mobiles move from network to network.

5. Claims 4, 9, 14 and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aisenberg in view of Ahn et al. and Saito et al. (US Patent Application Publication No. 2001/0044295 A1).

Regarding claims 4, 9, 14 and 18, the combination of Aisenberg and Ahn fails to disclose a timer that is used by the GGG to determine a period of time in which the mobile station is authorized to communicate with the GSM network.

However, Saito discloses a mobile system in which a timer is used to determine a period of time in which the mobile station is authorized to communicate with the network. See

paragraph [0074]. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the mobile system of Aisenberg and Ahn by relating an authentication to a timer, as taught by Saito, to increase the chances of warding off unauthorized accesses to the system.

6. Claims 5, 10 and 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aisenberg in view of Ahn and Hartmaier (US Patent Application Publication 2004/0137899 A1).

Regarding claims 5, 10 and 15, the combination of Aisenberg and Ahn fails to disclose a short message service center (SMSC) configured to send and receive SMS messages to and from the CDMA network.

However, Hartmaier discloses a mobile system in which disclose a short message service center that sends and receives SMS messages to and from CDMA network 240. See FIG. 2 and paragraph [0025]. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the mobile system of Aisenberg and Ahn by including a short message service center, as taught by Hartmaier, so that short messages in addition to voice calls can be communicated over networks having different protocols.

Response to Arguments

7. Applicant's arguments with respect to the claims have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Aisenberg discloses limiting by the network the number of calls or accesses that a mobile station makes to the network. See paragraph 46, lines 23-29. Since the mobile station does not

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object to the limiting of the number of calls, Aisenberg does teach a parameter representing a count of a predetermined event that is a mutually agreed upon event between the GGG and mobile station.

Conclusion


Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sam Bhattacharya whose telephone number is (571) 272-7917.

The examiner can normally be reached on Weekdays, 9-6, with first Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, George Eng can be reached on (571) 272-7495. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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